



NOTICE OF MEETING OF
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF COOKE COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that on **May 24, 2021** the Commissioners Court of Cooke County, Texas will hold a meeting at **10:00 A.M.** in the Commissioners Courtroom, Cooke County Courthouse, First Floor, Gainesville, Texas.

LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE

In accordance with the Governor's Public Health Emergency Declaration on March 16, 2020, certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act have been suspended to allow for video and telephonic communications. Given these limitations, the current Cooke County Public Health Emergency Declaration restrictions and the Center for Disease Control recommendation limited general public seating will be allowed in the Commissioners Courtroom. Additionally, public access and participation will be available through the call in number below as well as live streamed via the link below.

Should anyone wish to address the court on any agenda item, they must call (940)668-5435 or email cathy.lloyd@co.cooke.tx.us at least one (1) hour prior to the meeting, or by signing up in person, at the County Judge's office, at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Those individuals will then be allowed to participate using the call-in number below or by speaking in person. Public comment will be limited to not more than 5 minutes for each person wishing to address the court. Total time for all public comments will be limited to 30 minutes.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the Cooke County Judge's Office at (940)668-5435 two (2) working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Public Comments call-in number:

US dial-in: 1-206-462-5569

US toll-free dial-in: 1-855-552-4463

Meeting Pin: 9382 84 0609

Commissioners Court live stream:

<https://www.youtube.com/cookecountytexas1848>

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Opening prayer by Pastor Jeff Schuckers of Cooke County Cowboy Church in Oak Ridge
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag
5. Public comments on agenda items
6. Presentation by Angel Neu of Commissioners Court Leadership Academy Certificate on behalf of V.G. Young Institute of County Government to Commissioner Jason Snuggs, Pct. 2
7. **Consent Agenda:**

The Consent Agenda includes non-controversial and routine items that the Court may act on with one single vote. The Judge or a Commissioner may pull any item from the consent agenda in order that the court discuss and act upon it individually as part of the Regular Agenda.

 - A. Deliberate and consider approval of the minutes from previous meeting(s) – Judge Steve Starnes
 - B. Receive and file for record departmental reports – Judge Steve Starnes
 - i. Commissioner, Pct. 1 - April
 - ii. Tax Assessor-Collector – April
 - iii. District Attorney – April
 - iv. County Attorney - April
 - v. EMS - April
 - C. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding FY2021 budget amendments – Judge Steve Starnes
 - D. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding payment of monthly bills – Judge Steve Starnes
 - E. Deliberate and consider possible approval of payroll and related expenses – Judge Steve Starnes
 - F. Deliberate and consider possible approval of Mutual Aid Agreement with North Shore Volunteer Fire Department – Judge Steve Starnes
 - G. Deliberate and consider possible acceptance of \$519.90 donation from James Bateman for installation of culvert across CR 194 to help with water drainage in Pct. 1 – Commissioner Gary Hollowell
 - H. Deliberate and consider possible approval of updated virtual keypad customer agreement from 3 buildings to 4 buildings with Four Feathers Alarm LLC – Judge Steve Starnes
 - I. Deliberate and consider possible approval of signing lease agreement with RDO for John Deere road grader for Pct. 4 – Commissioner Leon Klement
 - J. Deliberate and consider possible approval of surplus by auction of Inventory Tag #1468 – 2011 Ford Expedition VIN 1FMJU1F50BER36823 located in Constable Pct. 2 inventory – Judge Steve Starnes
8. Deliberate and consider possible approval of Treasurer’s Report for the month of April – Judge Steve Starnes
9. Deliberate and consider possible action on Public Health Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 – Judge Steve Starnes
10. Presentation of the FY 20 Annual Financial Report by Patillo, Brown & Hill
11. Deliberate and consider possible approval of Account Application, Customer Agreement, Bond Proceed Certificate, Governmental Customer Trading Authorization and Suitability Certificate FINRA Rule 11 with Vining Sparks – Judge Steve Starnes
12. Open public hearing re: request by Ronald and Kathy Jessen for special exception (variance) on minimum set-backs and lot width on 12.8 acres out of a 45+ acre tract on Elm Grove Rd in Pct. 2
13. Close public hearing

14. Deliberate and consider possible approval of request by Ronald and Kathy Jessen for special exception (variance) on minimum set-backs and lot width on 12.8 acres out of a 45+ acre tract on Elm Grove Road in Pct. 2 – Commissioner Jason Snuggs
15. Open public hearing re: request by Nortex Properties, LLC for replat of Lots 1R, 2R and 3R of Cannon Estates in Pct. 1
16. Close public hearing
17. Deliberate and consider possible approval of request by Nortex Properties, LLC for replat of Lots 1R, 2R and 3R of Cannon Estates in Pct. 1 – Commissioner Gary Hollowell
18. Deliberate and consider possible approval of three additional members to the Cooke County Historical Commission – Judge Steve Starnes
19. Deliberate and consider possible approval of Enterprise Ethernet Agreement with Nortex for connectivity with Denton County for radio communications – Judge Steve Starnes
20. Presentation by Austin Willis of Belltown Power Texas – Judge Steve Starnes
21. Discuss and possibly deliberate and consider action on a M.U.D. in Pct. 2 – Commissioner Jason Snuggs
22. Deliberate and consider possible approval of repairs to Kress Building elevator, and budget amendment for same – Judge Steve Starnes
23. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding the Kress Building– Judge Steve Starnes
24. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding annex– Commissioner Gary Hollowell
25. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding county radio communication system – Judge Steve Starnes
26. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding American Rescue Act funds – Judge Steve Starnes
27. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding various grant funds – Judge Steve Starnes
 - a. FEMA – 2015 Flood including approval of signing Close-Out forms for PW-0554 for Pct. 4 roads where work has been completed and county paid 75% of the PW projects
 - b. FEMA – 2020 COVID-19
 - c. CARES ACT Funding
 - d. Public Safety COVID Grants
 - e. CTIF Road Grants
 - f. Elections Grants
28. Executive Session in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated
 - a. Personnel Matters (551.074)
 - b. Consultation with attorney (551.071)
 - c. Real property (551.072)
 - d. Security devices or audits relating to information resources technology (551.089)
29. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding personnel matters – Judge Steve Starnes
30. Deliberate and consider possible action regarding COVID-19 policies and procedures for courthouse, annex and justice center – Judge Steve Starnes
31. Future Agenda Items
32. Adjourn

On this the 20th day of May, 2020, this notice was filed with the County Clerk of Cooke County, Texas.


Steve Starnes, County Judge

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was filed and posted on the posting board in the lobby of the Cooke County Courthouse, Gainesville, Texas on this the 20th day of May, 20 21 at 2:21 o'clock P.M.

Pam Harrison

Pam Harrison, Cooke County Clerk

By: *Melissa Lann* Deputy



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PAM HARRISON
COUNTY CLERK, COOKE CO. TX

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